

**ABSTRACT**

The invention relates to a method of enciphering/deciphering messages to be exchanged between a secure device (1) and a defined client device ( $C_j$ ) in a network of client devices as well as to a secure device. The method comprises the steps of:

- performing operations of asymmetric cryptography by the secure device (1) and by the defined client device ( $C_j$ ) respectively with the aid of a private key ( $n_j, d_j$ ) and of a public key ( $n_j, e_j$ ), and
- determining the private key ( $n_j, d_j$ ) corresponding to the public key ( $n_j, e_j$ ) of the defined client device ( $C_j$ ), on the basis of a secret master key (MK) stored in the secure device, and at least one public data item ( $n_j, CID_j$ ) dispatched by the defined client device ( $C_j$ ).

Figure 5